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COMPTROLLER MYCHAJLIW CONTINUES BUSINESS TOURS ACROSS ERIE COUNTY

Crane Home Care, Inc. is an agency that works hard to keep loved ones at home and not in hospitals or nursing homes, ultimately saving taxpayers money

(HAMBURG) – Erie County Comptroller Stefan I. Mychajliw Jr. met with operators of a home health care agency to learn more about their operations that allow seniors to stay in their homes, rather than spend extended time in hospitals or nursing homes. Richard G. Schneider, President and CEO of Crane Home Care, and David Bonk, CFO, say their agency serves the Buffalo and Rochester areas, providing in-home medical care for both short and long-term situations.

"It's comforting to families when their parents or loved ones can recover at home. Seniors understandably want to stay in their homes and be close to family, whether they are recovering from an illness, or need around-the-clock care. Crane Home Care gives them that opportunity." It was a pleasure to meet with Rich Schneider and learn more about the good work they do," said Comptroller Stefan Mychajliw.

The agency provides a variety of at-home care which includes providing skilled nursing, personal care, feeding, and other assistance, respite care for families, transportation, companionship, and specialty care for those dealing with Dementia, Parkinson's, and other chronic or health conditions.

"Families with loved ones in hospitals and nursing homes suffered tremendously this past year. Many seniors were hurt because of COVID lockdowns and isolation. The most vulnerable of our communities could not receive visitors. By allowing many of these patients to stay at home with proper care, it affords them that feeling of independence and security. It also saves taxpayers money on long term Medicaid payments and lengthy hospital stays," added Comptroller Mychajliw.

Their Buffalo office is located on Main Street in Hamburg. Crane Home Care is Licensed by NYSDOH for the eight counties of WNY including Rochester, NY. The company served 82,000 clients last year, totaling 150,000 hours. One-quarter of those clients require 24-hour live-in care.